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NEWARK, N.J., NOVEMBER 22, 1967 --- Requests for 1968 poverty funds in Newark for programs totaling more than \$7 million were submitted yesterday to the regional Office of Economic Opportunity in New York by the United Community Corporation, this city's community action agency, announced L. Sylvester Odom, UCC executive director.

The requests call for \$5.7 million in federal funds to cover the operating costs of 14 UCC-sponsored programs from February 1, 1968, to January 31, 1969. These programs employ full time some 1200 people, in addition to 65 on a part time basis. Another 235 serve in a volunteer capacity.

UCC's application for federal funds shows \$5,673,829 being requested, along with local share contributions amounting to \$1,420,256 that reflect cash, volunteer services, and donated space and equipment.

Two categories are used to determine funding guidelines. The first is versatile Community Action Program funds, of which the UCC has asked for \$2,049,064.\* The guideline for Newark has been approximately \$2.1 million.

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The second category is earmarked funds. These are designated for special program throughout the nation, complementing the versatile funds available to each community action agency. The guideline in this category has been approximately \$3.8 million, of which for 1968 the UCC has requested \$3,624,765.

The following chart indicates the total costs requested for most UCC-sponsored programs to operate in Newark during 1968. Also listed are the OEO requests and the local share contributions. The chart is divided into the two distinct funding categories:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOTAL COSTS</u>	<u>OEO REQUEST</u>	<u>LOCAL SHARE</u>
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(FROM VERSATILE CAP FUNDS:)

Local Share Contribution, N.J. OEO	\$ 85,000	\$	\$ 85,000
UCC Central Admin. Costs	392,213	392,213	(1)
UCC Community Action (Eight community centers)	670,660	670,660	1,062,873
Bessie Smith Community Center	172,540*	134,000	(1) 61-772,001
Career Oriented Preparation for Employment	240,711	154,461	86,250
Blazer Employment Training	333,722	270,012	63,710
Field Orientation Center (Spanish)	53,212	34,000	19,212
Leaguers Youth Program	55,894	26,810	29,084
Education Neighborhood Action for a Better Living Environment (Urban League; Family Service Bureau)	47,882	32,542	15,340
Golden Age Plan (Nwk. Senior Citizens Commission)	465,370	280,730	184,640

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>OEO REQUEST</u>	<u>LOCAL SHARE</u>
High School Head Start (Seton Hall University)	\$ 75,947	\$ 53,636	\$ 22,311
SUB TOTALS FOR VERSATILE FUNDS:	\$2,593,151*	\$2,049,064*	\$ 544,087*
(FROM EARMARKED FUNDS:)			
Adult Basic Education (Nwk. Senior Citizens)	\$ 221,363	\$ 129,823	\$ 91,540
Nwk. Legal Services Project	388,655	309,847	\$ 78,808
Summer Head Start (Nwk. Board of Education)	1,007,265	791,408	215,857
Newark Preschool Council	2,782,121	2,310,303	471,818
Fuld House Preschool	72,409	60,333	12,076
Hilary Preschool	29,121	23,051	6,070
SUB TOTALS FOR EARMARKED FUNDS:	\$4,500,934	\$3,624,765	\$ 876,169
GRAND TOTAL	\$7,094,085*	\$5,673,829*	\$1,420,256*

\* Does not include \$56,299 already charged to the Bessie Smith Center for this period.

(1) The local share required for central administration and community action are made up of excess local shares from other programs

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Other programs sponsored by the UCC include Total Employment And Manpower (a \$4.3 million project run jointly by the city and UCC); On-The-Job Training, funded by the US Department of Labor at \$262,000; and a Summer Block Recreation Program receiving special OEO monies.